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No. 269.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1882.

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Hongkong, 10th November, 1882. [784]

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Hongkong, 30th November, 1882. [784]

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Hongkong, 2nd March, 1882. [132]

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Hongkong, 15th June, 1881. [458]

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Hongkong, 15th June, 1881. [457]

NOTICE.

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HEAD OFFICE,  
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Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [81]

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(CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up)..... \$1,420,000.00  
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May, 1882.....

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Roger's Traits and Stories of Scottish People.

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Macleod's Lectures on Credit and Banking.

Bonamy Price's Practical Political Economy.

Cool Orchids and How to Grow them.

Leslie Stephen's Science of Ethics.

Kempe's Electric Testing, New.ed.

Hawke's Bookkeeping.

Huxley's Science and Culture.

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New Art Handbooks.

NEW MUSIC!

CHRISTMAS CARDS!

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NEW PHOTOGRAPHS

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ALSO, FRENCH NOVELS

BY EMINENT NOVELISTS,

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BOUND VOLUMES OF ILLUSTRATED LONDON NEWS AND PUNCH FROM 1864 TO 1878,

AT VERY CHEAP PRICES.

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Hongkong, 9th October, 1882. [661]

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OF GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES AND CHRONOGRAPHES, CLOCKS OF ALL KINDS,

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A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF STATIONERY.

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A CHOICE SELECTION OF PINAUD'S BEST PERFUMERY.

&c., &c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, 2nd October, 1882. [660]

SAYLE & CO.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1882. [659]

# THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1882.

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his appointment, in 1838, to succeed the late Sir D. K. SANDFORD in the Greek chair at Glasgow; but the death of Dr. ARNOLD in 1842 opened to him a field of greater usefulness, as he was selected to fill the important office of Head Master of Rugby School, where he remained eight years. While there he married a daughter of the late Venerable Archdeacon SPOONER, brother of the late Mr. RICHARD SPOONER, long one of the members for Warwickshire, and uncle to the then Bishop of Oxford. (She died December 1st, 1878.) A severe illness, occasioned by over-exertion in his arduous post at Rugby, probably induced Dr. TAIT to accept from Lord JOHN RUSSELL's Government, in April, 1850, the deanship of Carlisle. But, to a man of his mental activity and conscientious devotion to his sacred calling, this could be no post of indolent retirement. He originated, and generally conducted himself, an additional pulpit-service on Sundays, besides undertaking an amount of labour in visiting the poor, instructing the young and ignorant, and superintending the public charities of a large town, seldom equalled by the most hard-working parish clergyman, and was at the same time an active member of the Oxford University Commission. The late Dr. BLOMFIELD having resigned the see of London, under a special Act of Parliament, in August, 1856, Dr. TAIT was nominated to the vacancy. In 1863 he proposed, and by his zealous efforts powerfully contributed to the successful initiation of an extensive scheme for supplying the deficiency of church accommodation in London, by raising a fund of £1,000,000 in the course of ten years. On the death of the late Dr. LONGFELLOW, in 1868, Dr. TAIT was appointed his successor in the archiepiscopal see of Canterbury. The University of Glasgow conferred on him the degree of LL.D., in 1869. Dr. TAIT presided over the Pan-Anglican Synod held at Lambeth in 1867, the Church Congress at Croydon in 1877, and the Conference of Anglican Bishops at Lambeth in 1878. He has written two volumes of sermons preached either at Oxford or in the school chapel at Rugby; a work entitled "The Dangers and Safeguards of Modern Theology," with remarks on the celebrated "Essays and Reviews," published in 1861; the "Word of God and the Ground of Faith," in 1863; "Charge to the Clergy," in 1866; "Some Thoughts on the Duties of the Church of England," a charge to his clergy, 1876; and, has contributed articles on education and kindred topics to the Edinburgh and North British Review.

### NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

It is required that all communications relating to Subscriptions, Advertisements, &c., be addressed to the "Manager, Hongkong Telegraph" and not to the Editor.

Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and not to individual members of the staff.

Communications intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for publication; but as evidence of good faith.

Whilst the columns of the *Hongkong Telegraph* will always be open for the fair discussion by correspondents of all questions affecting public interests, it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

### TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers are requested to forward all notices intended for insertion in that day's issue not later than **TUESDAY O'CLOCK**, so as not to retard the early publication of the paper.

### TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Arrangements have been made to publish *The Hongkong Telegraph* daily at 4 P.M. Subscribers in the central districts who do not receive their copies before **FIVE O'CLOCK** will oblige by at once communicating with the Manager.

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HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1882.

### DEATH OF THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY.

We regret to hear by a telegram received from London this morning of the death of the Archbishop of Canterbury, which occurred, it appears, at Lambeth Palace Westminster, on the 2nd inst. His Grace had been in indifferent health for a considerable time, and although when the last mail left England he had rallied considerably, it was feared he would never recover. That these fears were well founded, the result has amply proved. The following brief sketch of the career of the late Primate, which we extract from "Men of the Time," will doubtless be found interesting:—

The Most Rev. ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL TAIT, D.D., Archbishop of Canterbury, and Primate of all England, was the youngest son of the late CRAUFURD TAIT, Esq., a Scotch attorney, or writer to the Signet, of Harvieston, co. CLACKMANNAN, his mother being a daughter of the late Sir STAVY CAMPBELL, Bart., of Succoth, sometime Lord President of the Court of Session. He was born in Edinburgh, Dec. 22, 1811, was educated at the High School and at the Academy of Edinburgh, under Archdeacon WILLIAMS; went in 1827 to the University at Glasgow, where he attended the lectures of the late Sir DANIEL K. SANDFORD and Mr. BUCHANAN; was elected, in 1830 an Exhibitioner on SNELL'S foundation, to Balliol College, Oxford, of which he became successively Scholar, Fellow, and Tutor, and graduated B.A. in first-class honours. He subsequently became a Public Examiner of the University. Whilst residing at Oxford in his capacity as College tutor, he took a prominent part in opposing the spread of Tractarian principles, and was one of the four tutors who first drew the attention of the university authorities to the celebrated Tract No. 90, written by Mr. NEWMAN, for the purpose of showing that the Thirty-nine Articles of the Established Church could be honestly subscribed by those who held Roman Catholic doctrines. His opposition, however, to this school of theology, always courteous and open, was marked by the most sincere respect for, and personal attachment to, those who held these peculiar views. The circumstance of Mr. TAIT's being in holy orders proved, in the then state of the law, an obstacle to

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We are informed by the Agent of the O. & O. S. Co. that the company's steamer *Oceanic* left Yokohama for this port yesterday.

A NORWEGIAN seaman named Peter Hunson, while drunk last evening, got fighting with other Europeans in a similar condition, outside a shop in Wellington Street. The shopkeeper shut his door as a measure of precaution, when Hunson broke it open, went inside, and created a great disturbance. For this wild freak, Captain Thomsett this morning fined the Norwegian a dollar or two days' imprisonment, ordering him also to pay another dollar to the shopkeeper for the damage done to his door. Hunson was taken on board his ship, where the money was to be collected.

A SCHOOLBOY named Ip Tau Sau, aged 15, was ordered by Captain Thomsett this morning to receive ten strokes with a rattan on the breech, and be kept in solitary confinement for seven days, for stealing yesterday two eels of salt fish from the hillside, where it was dry, and striking the woman to whom the fish belonged in the eye with a bamboo which had a nail stuck in it, and which cut her eye slightly. The youth hit the woman because she asked back her fish. The boy admitted the theft. It is to be hoped that the flogging and the solitary confinement will work a change for the better in the lad's character.

FREDERICK BIGGERS, proprietor of the "Hamburg" tavern, charged Michael Lynch and Wager Henry Class, seamen of the steamship *Easington*, before Captain Thomsett this morning, with drunkenness and disorderly conduct in his house last evening, and also with assaulting his wife. Lynch, it appears, entered the tavern and asked for a drink, which he was refused, being drunk. He thereupon invoked the aid of Class, and together they poured out a volley of most disgusting and filthy abuse on Mr. Biggers and his wife, Lynch striking the latter on the head. The Magistrate fined Lynch \$5 or ten days' hard labour, and Class one dollar or two days.

IT is noteworthy that the steamship *Emmy*, released from quarantine to-day, has now completed her one hundredth trip to and from Manila as the property of her present owner. During the whole of these voyages, the steamer has never once put back or suffered the least damage, and under all circumstances has kept her time most admirably. To show their appreciation of this good fortune the Chinese shippers have come out in strong force, and presented the vessel with quite a collection of beautifully embroidered silk flags. The *Emmy* is certainly not a choice specimen of naval architecture to look at; but results, like facts, are stubborn things, and it cannot be gainsaid that the hardy little craft has proved herself very well fitted indeed for the trade in which she is engaged. The *Emmy* will be laid up for repairs and alterations on the arrival of her new boilers—now *en route* from home.

We hear that at about three o'clock yesterday morning, seven or eight men from a launch belonging to the Chinese Customs service boarded the junk *E-He*, which was lying about 200 yards off Lap-sap-wan becalmed, in British waters, towed her into Chinese waters, and, driving the crew below, rifled their property valued at \$130, comprising clothing, silver, and two balls of opium, after which they released her. The junk, it appears, was bound for Pinghoi, intending to take a cargo of wood from there. The opium was not on her manifest. The crew, we understand, reported the seizure to Mr. Mather, light-house-keeper on Green Island, who took some of them to Victoria to officially report the matter. If things occurred as represented by the junk people, it would seem to have been a daring act on the part of the Customs' men, and will, no doubt, be taken up by the local government. The launch, we hear, was the *Chin-chit*.

ILLNESS OF THE POSTMASTER GENERAL.

Mr. Fawcett is suffering from a severe attack of diphtheria.

DEATH OF THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY.

The Archbishop of Canterbury is dead.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A REGULAR Lodge of Zetland, No. 525, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, to-night, at 8.30 or 9 o'clock precisely.

The *Indian Daily News* informs its readers that the Chinese indulge in the curious geometrical theory, that "the heaven is round and the earth is square."

We are informed by the Superintendent of the P. & O. S. N. Co. that the steamship *Singapore*, with the next Sunday English Mail, left Singapore for this port on Sunday the 3rd instant at (7) a.m. ACCORDING to an Indian contemporary, the price of native opium at Hupeh has risen somewhat high, and the reason advanced is, that the native crop of opium in China is likely this season to be a comparative failure.

We read that the Queensland sugar-planters at Maryborough contemplated introducing Chinese labour; also that the Chinese have started, and are successfully working a sugar-growing company at Cairns, in Queensland.

WE observe from the Shanghai papers that Signor Annunziata Silini, the popular contralto, has assumed the position of "Directress" of the Italian Opera Company, at present performing in the Model Settlement.

JAMES SHAND, 3rd mate of the S.S. *Lorne*, was brought yesterday to the Police Station in a jinrikisha, he being at the time top heavy. The coolie adopted this plan of getting his fare, which, it appears, the mate did not care about liquidating. Being brought before Captain Thomsett this morning, he was fined a dollar or two days' imprisonment, and qudrated.

We learn, through the courtesy of the Assistant General Manager, that a further telegram received confirms the announcement we made in our column a few days ago, that the Eastern Extension Co. had taken steps to meet the requirements of the Commercial communities of Shanghai and Hongkong by providing additional telegraphic communication.

It is now stated that the Company has already shipped a cable of the most improved form to be laid between these ports, and that the expedition will sail from England almost immediately.

THE American barque *Jennie Harkness* and the German barque *H. Umann* came out of the Cosmopolitan Dock this morning. The steamship *Easington* unlocked at Kowloon this forenoon, the steamer *Consolation* taking her place in the vacant dock. The Mitsu Bishi Mail Co.'s steamer *Niigata Maru* will dock at Sam-shui-po to-morrow.

LAURENCE PETER BUCKOLDT, master of the British ship *Zit Li*, charged Ahmet, a seaman on board, at the Police Court this morning, with absconding from his ship yesterday. Ahmet, it appears, left the ship without permission, taking his clothes with him. The vessel sails to-morrow. Admitting the impeachment, Captain Thomsett ordered the man to be sent on board to his duty.

HAS it never struck the Directors of our local Dock Company that the style—The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Limited—is rather a misnomer for that flourishing institution? It was, no doubt, a very appropriate title for the Company seven years ago; but as the Whampoa Docks have long since passed into the hands of the Philistines and have become docks only in name, it would surely be as well to omit the name of the old port of Canton from the Company's official title. As the word "Whampoa" could be left out with but little difficulty, we are surprised that what in England would be considered a very quiet alteration, has not been effected long ago.

Mrs. Cowrie, a married woman living at No. 4 China Street, appeared before Captain Thomsett at the Police Court this morning in answer to a summons taken out by Thomas Carter, a shipwright living at No. 14, in the same street, charging her with having on Friday last assaulted Also, a child of the complainant, and used abusive language towards the complainant's wife. Carter said the defendant was in the habit of insulting his child. As a set-off, the lady alleged that Carter, in passing her house, frequently called her and others living there ugly names. Captain Thomsett bound both over in \$10 personal security to be of good behaviour for a month.

THE Steamboat Company's steamer *White Cloud* was placed on the Patent Slip at Kowloon on Saturday. This well-known and popular craft, which it will be remembered, was constructed, under the superintendence of the late Capt. G. U. Sands at West Point, requires, after her long years of efficient service, a thorough overhaul and extensive repairs, and for this purpose she has been placed in the hands of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company. We give a few remarks sent to us by a competent critic:—"Yesterday evening I went to assist at the recital of *Ermanni*; this is an old work of the great master G. Verdi. I cannot do better than speak of the impression made upon me by the two new artists, of whom many European journals spoke in high terms. As a musical critic, besides, Italian music pleases me much, and if at any time I find myself staying in a city where there is an Italian opera, certainly I do not fail to put in an appearance. The artists who made an impression upon me are Signora Cincora Colombo-Petrovich and Marcello Petrovich. Signora Petrovich made her appearance as the impassioned *Elvira*. I appreciated her very highly and believe that not only I, but the public will have recognized an artist of high intelligence. I did not deceive myself, because of their applause of her singing of the air, *Ermanni invadanti*, and the *allegro*, *Tutto spreco per Ermanni*, in the first act. I remained to the end, and she very much distinguished herself in the phrases of the terzetto in the finale of the fourth act, *Terina crudel*. As a critic I certainly do not wish to compare her with celebrities, because it would be too flattering, and she has some defects, which certainly can be corrected; as for instance certain *lacune* in the terzetto; nevertheless she is an artist, I repeat, whether for voice or method of singing, to be appreciated. The tenor Signor Petrovich possesses the powerful voice of a true dramatic tenor; the part of *Ermanni* he does well, whether as a vocalist or as an actor; he thoroughly knows what is the duty of a true artist, but should moderate himself on occasion, and not exhibit (*soggioghi*) his voice in so many things, especially in the *cantabili*; because then he will be better appreciated. Should this young artist listen to my suggestion, he will only have to thank me, because a more promising career will await him. I conclude they are two artists entitled to respect and the public ought to be pleased by them."

A TELEGRAM from Bombay to the Calcutta papers on the 13th ulto.—announces the arrival at that port of H.M.S. *Eclipse* from Egypt. During the stay of the vessel at Suez, she was despatched to Alcalab, to make enquiries regarding Messrs. Charrington, Palmer, and Gill. Some opposition was at first manifested to the landing of the party, but ultimately the party and a dragoman went ashore, and on enquiry found a letter in possession of an Arab, from which it was clear that the whole party had been massacred. The *Times* of India publishes the following additional particulars regarding the occurrence:—The bodies have been found by Colonel Warren, R.N., at the foot of a precipice, and Colonel Warren has brought the following account of the murder to Suez:—Palmer, Gill, and Charrington were attacked when only two days' march from Moses' Wells. Captain Gill's camel was shot at the first fire by the Bedouins. The three Englishmen then made the other camels lie down by way of cover, and returned the fire of the Bedouins with their revolvers. A friendly Sheik, Mehter by name, who had accompanied the party, then made off. They were surrounded till morning dawned, when, seeing the number of their adversaries surrendered. The Bedouins took away their arms, money, and watches, and after invading all spoil, carried them to a Sheik, whose name has transpired. He kept them for two days, and then took them, it is said, to the top of a high ravine or precipice. Here he told them, through Dr. Palmer, that they would be offered the choice of jumping over the precipice or being shot. The reports are conflicting as to what death they chose; but one report says Captain Gill, having called on God to avenge his foul murder, jumped over. Their remains have been recovered by Colonel Warren and his party at the foot of the precipice, and there seems unfortunately to be no foundation for the rumour that professor Palmer had escaped on a camel to Syria. Colonel Warren has captured several prisoners, who are believed to be implicated. The unfortunate party had with them 3000 pounds in gold, and it is remembered that Sheik Mehter returned to the English agent at Moses' Wells his sword he had received as a present from Sir James Newett, perhaps in order to relieve himself of the responsibility of his ill-advised conduct.

The stays having drawn through the thrown against the unsupported flat end of the boiler, tore the plate round by the rivet holes partly through the flange, thus conveying away the greater portion of the boiler end. From examination, I am of opinion that the bottom water gauge cock was placed too low, thus giving an erroneous impression to any one unacquainted with this arrangement of the height of water in the boiler, which may in some way account for the water being so low; but I consider that great blame must attach to whoever had charge of the water to have allowed it to fall so dangerously low, as by the starting of the engines the water would rise suddenly on the over-heated plates and, becoming decomposed, would be as dangerous as gas. I am further of opinion that the safety valve was too small, and not efficient.

I have, &c.,  
(Signed,) JOHN S. BREWER,  
Government Marine Surveyor.  
To the Coroner, Hongkong.

P.S.—I would respectfully recommend that a photograph may be taken of the exploded boiler and kept for record.

In addition to the details contained in his report, Mr. Brewer gave evidence to the following effect:—The exploded boiler is a cylindrical tubular one of ordinary type, with two furnaces.

He had no fault to find with the material,

but the workmanship is defective in regard

to the riveting and punching, and the construction faulty, there being a great difference

between the strength of the staying power and the shell.

The chief defect in the boiler is that

it was not built in accordance with any recognized

principles of boiler making, the consequence being

that the strain has not been equally distributed.

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FOOCHOW.

Although there is a considerable amount of sickness amongst the Chinese, we are pleased at being informed by the medical faculty that, although the symptoms are somewhat similar to cholera, still there have been no real cases of that disease, and we may hope the cold weather will prevent the prevailing sickness reaching that stage.

Her Majesty's gunboat *Kestrel*, arrived in Foochow on Tuesday last and took her station opposite the I. M. Customs. We understand that she has not been ordered to Foochow with any specific object, but is purely on a casual visit, which is expected to last a few weeks. We are always pleased to observe one of Her Majesty's gunboats in Foochow; in fact, one would think that this was a sufficiently important port as to expect, in fact, to be entitled, to have a naval vessel constantly stationed in these waters.

Mr. W. T. Key writes—"In passing that part of the Street called Ah Foo I notice a proclamation by the Viceroy Ho, and the Governor Chang, in which they put a restriction against the use by the people of Kerosene oil; and in which they claim the right to put a stop to this kind of trade, as they allege it has been stopped in Shanghai and Ningpo, and some sort of punishment is also mentioned in the said proclamation. In spite of this yet I see the inhabitants of this provincial City are still using the oil. I wonder to see that if the Viceroy and Governor have the welfare of the people in their mind, why they don't make a matter a political question by stopping the importation of such oil from a foreign country. They further allege that the cause of the frequent burning of houses is the use of such oil, and that during the conflagrations many lives were lost. To this part of their statement I would like to put a question, by asking the Viceroy and his colleague why there was constant burning of houses in Foochow before the introduction of kerosene oil, and its use by the people, for which I may probably meet with an answer that 'it is *too big*'."

It is absurd to see such proclamations posted, for the people do not take the least notice of what is said, and I venture to say that it must remain a dead letter to all intents and purposes. The only thing I can see to be done is the advisability for the Viceroy and his colleague to warn the people to take great care in using such oil, that putting a restriction upon the trade is a matter of great absurdity and nonsense. It must, I think, be in the memory of some people that the Chinese Government once sent men to Formosa to obtain such oil, and they failed in their attempt, for what reason, it remains a mystery; and I think this was done during the regime of the Governor-General Ho, and if he thinks the use

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**Commercial.**

THIS DAY.

Noon.

Banks are creating quite a sensation on the Stock Exchange. Business has been done this morning to a considerable extent at 168 per cent. premium for cash, and on time at 170 for the end of the year, the stocks leaving off firm, with buyers, at both these rates. Luzons also show a decidedly upward tendency buyers, offering 174 without being able to secure any shares. Doubtless a higher price will be paid during the course of the day. Other stocks have not been mentioned.

4 o'clock p.m.

Since noon not a single transaction has come under our notice. Banks continue in great demand and are very firm at quotation.

SHARES.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—168 per cent. premium, sales and buyers. Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$1,730 per share, buyers.

China Traders' Insurance Company—\$1,550 per share, sellers.

North China Insurance—Tls. 1,225 per share. Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$10 per share, buyers.

Yangtsze Navigation Association—Tls. 850 per share.

Chinese Insurance Company—\$231 per share. On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$100 per share, buyers.

China Fire Insurance Company—\$335 per share, sellers.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—54 per cent. premium.

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$31 per share premium, sellers.

Hongkong Gas Company—\$80 per share.

Hongkong Hotel Company—\$110 per share.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—1 per cent. premium.

China Sugar Refining Company (Debentures)—3 per cent. premium.

Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$14 per share, buyers.

Hongkong Ice Company—\$165 per share, buyers.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$60 per share.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1878—1 per cent. prem. ex. int.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1881—2 per cent. prem.

EXCHANGE.

On LONDON—Bank, T. T. .... 3/8

Bank Bills, on demand ..... 3/7

Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight ..... 3/7

Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight ..... 3/8

Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 3/8

Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight ..... 3/8

On PARIS—Bank, T. T. .... 3/8

Bank Bills, on demand ..... 4/5

Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 4/6

On HAMBURG—Bank, T. T. .... 2/2

On CALCUTTA—Bank, T. T. .... 2/2

On SHANGHAI—

Bank, sight ..... 7/1

Private, 30 days' sight ..... 7/2

OPPIUM MARKET.—THIS DAY.

New MALWA ..... per picul, \$580 (Allowance, Taels 144.)

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New PERSIAN ..... per chest, \$512

Old PERSIAN ..... per picul, \$335 (Allowance, Taels 8.)

Opium Market Report.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(FROM MRAES, FAUCONER & CO.'S REGISTERS).

YESTERDAY.

Barometer—1 P.M. .... 30.05

Barometer—4 P.M. .... 30.09

Thermometer—1 P.M. .... 72

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CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

THIS DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

HONGKONG AMoy SHANGHAI MANILA

BAROMETER, THERMOMETER, &c.

WIND, WAVE, &c.

WEATHER, &c.

HOOT RAIN, &c.

QUANTITY RAIN, &c.

Barometer, level of the sea in inches; tens and hundreds—Thermometer, in Fahrenheit degrees and tens kept in the open air, in a shaded situation—Direction of Wind, is registered every points, N., N.E., E., S.E., S., S.W., W., N.W., &c.—Force of Wind, 0, calm, 1 to 3, light breeze, 3 to 5 moderate, 5 to 7 fresh, 7 to 8 strong, 8 to 10 very strong, 10 to 12 violent—Stationary Weather, C. Clear, blue sky. C. Cloudy, D. Drizly, F. Foggy, H. Hall, L. Lighting, M. Misty, O. Overcast, P. Passing showers, Q. Squally, R. Rainy, S. Showery, T. Thunder, U. Wind, threatening V. Visibly, W. Stormy, Z. Calm. The asterisks are repeated to indicate any increase over the mean average of their significations. Rain—The hours of rain for the previous 24 hours (noon) are registered from 1 to 24, the quantity of water fallen indicated in inches, tens and hundreds.

**Shipping.**

ARRIVALS.

LORNE, British steamer, 1,034, Hunter, 2nd Dec.,—Amoy and Swatow 1st Dec., General.—Bun Hin & Co.

NORDEN, Danish steamer, 776, Rasmussen, 2nd Dec.,—Chinkiang 17th Nov., Rice.—Siemens & Co.

APPIN, British steamer, 394, J. L. Howden, 3rd Dec.,—Shanghai 30th Nov., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

AMOY, British steamer, 814, C. Herrmann, 3rd Dec.,—Shanghai 30th Nov., General.—Russell & Co.

LENNOX, British steamer, 1,328, D. Scott, 3rd Dec.,—Calcutta 16th Nov., and Singapore 25th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

OXFORDSHIRE, British steamer, 998, N. Jones, 3rd Dec.,—Amoy 1st Dec., Tea.—Russell & Co.

HAI-CHANG-CHING, Chinese gunboat, 3rd Dec.,—from Canton.

FU-YEW, Chinese steamer, 920, Lincoln, 3rd Dec.,—Swatow and December, Ballast.—C. M. S. N. Co.

GORDON CASTLE, British steamer, 1,313, W. Waring, 4th Dec.,—Foochow 2nd Dec., Tea.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

NIAGARA MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,096, J. Wyll, 4th November,—Kobe 26th Nov., and Nagasaki 29th, General.—Mitsui Bishi M. S. S. Co.

ANTENOR, British steamer, 1,614, J. T. Bragg, 4th Dec.,—Foochow 2nd Dec., General.—Butterfield & Swire.

BAUMWALL, German str., 1,261, C. J. Benohr, 4th Dec.,—Saigon 27th Nov., Rice.—Siemens & Co.

PEKING, British steamer, 954, G. H. Drewes, 3rd Dec.,—Canton 2nd Dec., General.—Siemens & Co.

AVA, French steamer, 2,100, Bretel, 4th Dec.,—Marsilles 29th October, Naples 31st, Port Said 4th November, Suez 6th, Aden 11th, Colombo 19th, Singapore 26th, and Saigon 30th, Mails and General.—Messageries Maritimes.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Camelot, British steamer, for Swatow,

Pokien, British steamer, for Kudat;

Satsuma, British bark, for Nagasaki;

Meli, Chinese steamer, for Hoilow.

DEPARTURES.

December 3, Amoy, British steamer, for Canton.

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PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per Amoy, str., from Shanghai.—Mr. and Mrs. Cartwright, 1 European on deck, and 80 Chinese.

Per Lenox, str., from Calcutta, &c.—25 Chinese.

Per Gordon Castle, str., from Foochow.—2 Europeans, cabin.

Per Antenor, str., from Foochow.—Mr. and Mrs. Plunket, Miss Weles, and Mr. Smith.

Per Baumwall, str., from Saigon.—11 Chinese.

Per Fu-yew, str., from Swatow.—6 Chinese.

Per Ningata Maru, str., from Kobe, &c.—Mr. and Mrs. P. Smith, Miss Mudge, Miss Dawson, Captain Cunningham, Messrs. E. Mudge, M. M. Ballon, J. W. Butt, F. W. Patten, L. Marshall, J. A. Fort, Dunn, Dattori, 6 Japanese in steerage, and 6 Chinese.

Per Ava, str., from Marsilles, &c.—Messrs. Bell Irving, Ventoso, H. Lubmann, and Reinhardt, from Marsilles for Hongkong. From Singapore.—Mr. Bullard, and 6 Chinese. For Shanghai.—Mrs. Buchheimer and a child, Miss Kemp, Miss Croon, Miss Stroud, and 1 Sister, Messrs. Reynold, Rudolph, and Telge, from Marsilles. From Port Said.—Madame Sophie Sollogoub, Messrs. Hartche, Rowstry, and Nicolas Sollogoub, for Yokohama.—Messrs. Torder, Holm, and Culley, from Marsilles. From Singapore.—Mr. Tenor.

DEPARTED.

Per Anna, str., for Swatow.—Mr. Chamberlain, For Amoy.—Mrs. Watson, Miss Par, Rev. James Main, and Mr. Rose. For Foochow.

Per Camelot, str., for Swatow.—70 Chinese.

Per Pokien, str., for Kudat.—2 Europeans and 30 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The British steamship Gordon Castle reports left Foochow on the 2nd instant. Had moderate monsoon and fine weather.

The British steamship Oxfordshire reports left Amoy on the 1st instant. Had moderate winds and fine weather throughout.

The British steamship Antenor reports left Foochow on the 2nd instant. Had moderate N.E. monsoon and fine weather throughout.

The British steamship Amoy reports left Shanghai on the 30th November. Had light Northerly winds and fine weather throughout.

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